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Enclosed herewith for filing under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the following divisional application of the prior, co-pending application: Serial No. 09/927,747, filed August 9, 2001, and is herein incorporated into the present divisional application by reference.

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Title of application: LOWER PEDESTAL SHIELD

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Sheets of drawing: 4

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Also enclosed herewith for filing in connection with the enclosed application are:

- X A copy of the executed Declaration of the prior application, Serial No. 09/927,747;
- X A copy of the specification of the prior application,
- X Disclosure Statement;
- X Claim(s) to priority under 35 U.S.C. §120:

<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Filing date</u>
09/927,747	August 9, 2001
- X No payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred in the above-identified prior application.
- X The Assignment of the prior application 09/562,252 from the co-inventors to Applied Materials, Inc., remains in effect for the subject divisional application.

Respectfully submitted,

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